

**Vision Governance & Medical Control Committee  
Meeting Minutes for August 27, 2002  
Sheraton San Diego Hotel and Marina  
1380 Harbor Island Drive, East Tower  
San Diego, CA 92101  
3:30pm – 7:00pm**

**I. Introductions**

Members Present

Ron Blaul, *EMS Commissioner and Co-Chair of Governance*  
Chuck Baucom, *EMS Commissioner and Co-Chair of Governance*  
Kevin White, *California Professional Firefighters*  
Leonard Inch, *Sierra-Sacramento Valley EMS Agency*  
Michael Osur, *Riverside Co. EMS Agency and CSAC*  
Lou Meyer, *California Ambulance Association*  
Joe Barger, M.D., *Contra Costa EMS Agency, and EMDAC*  
Maureen McNeil, *Emergency Medical Services Authority*  
Ray Johnson, M.D., *American College of Emergency Physicians - California*  
Jan Ogar, *EMS Commissioner and Emergency Nurses Association*

Guests Present

Lee Nelson, M.D., *Paramedic Training Institute Medical Director, LA County*  
Steve Tharratt, M.D., *Emergency Medical Services Authority*  
Miranda Swanson, *Emergency Medical Services Authority*  
Richard Watson, *Emergency Medical Services Authority*  
Angelo Salvucci, M.D., *EMS Commissioner Santa Barbara Co. EMS Agency*  
Nancy Steiner, *Emergency Medical Services Authority*  
Tim Sturgill, M.D., *EMS Commissioner, Vision Funding Chair*  
Andrea Zeboski – *Vision Office*

**II. Agenda**

? **Update on the League of Cities / CSAC meetings**

The letter from CSAC/League was presented to the group, and it was mentioned that they hope to have a document to present to the Governance and Medical Control Committee in November.

? **Review of All Objectives and Closure Action**

Objective 2:

1. The committee reviewed The Functional Matrix.
2. The draft is being sent back to the Level of Service focus group for some minor adjustments. It will include language about what it means to have “joint responsibility,” including a definition, and encouragement of collaboration at all levels.
3. This work will be done over the list-server and the process (in concept) will be discussed at the VLT conference call.

### Objective 3:

1. Ray reported that the definition for the State EMSA Medical Director was approved in concept by Cal-ACEP and EMDAC.
2. Jan moved to accept the definition and send it to the Vision Leadership Team. Ron seconded the motion. Kevin stated that he could accept it in concept, but the physician organizations should work out the language.
3. There was some discussion of possible language and scenarios. (Theoretically), if Cal-ACEP does not submit a list of at least three doctors by August 1, the administrative director would be allowed to contract with a physician for that position.
4. Michael moved to accept this *in concept* – seven were in favor of this motion. The motion was approved and Ron, and Chuck will discuss who can carry the legislation at the next VLT meeting.

### Objective 4

1. EMSAAC reviewed the *Local EMS Agency Assessment Guidelines* (as a voluntary process). Leonard moved to approve Steve Andriese's piece as a working document to take to the VLT, and work with EMSA to clarify the process. The motion was seconded by Ray, and called to question by Leonard.
2. Ron halted the motion, saying that because the process is voluntary, it does not truly address the objective. However, an appeal process will address the objective (CSAC/LOC).
3. Both Ron and Kevin voted not to move forward with this objective.
4. Leonard moved to send it to the VLT and amend the motion noting that this voluntary process does not achieve the original objective. Jan seconded the motion. The committee did not complete the objective as written; however, the group was able to create a voluntary review process. Eight members were in favor; one abstained (Lou Meyer).

### Objective 5

1. This objective was intended to increase the commission by three.
2. Leonard asked if there would be a fiscal increase to account for the added commissioners.
3. Ron suggested that it would not be helpful to jumble the make up of the commission at this time. Lou moved not to change the composition of the Commission; Leonard seconded the motion. Kevin was not in favor of the motion.

4. Both Ron and Jan suggested that if there are problems with the commission's membership in the future, this issue would be revisited. The motion was called to question. Eight members were in favor of taking no action; one opposed. By choosing to take no action on this objective, there will be no action taken on Objective 17.

Objective 6

1. The group would like to define "certain functions" and "system medical control." This objective will go back to EMDAC.
2. The committee should have a recommendation from them following their next meeting (December).

Objective 10 – The Education and Personnel committee is making further revisions. This issue will be taken to the VLT.

Objective 11 – This objective is no longer an issue with EMSAAC.

Objective 12, 13 and 14

Objective 12 will be completed tonight between Ron and Joe Barger. Objectives 12, 13 and 14 will not be completed for the Vision Conference in December. However, a summary of the committee's work and the direction of the objective will be given.

Objective 15 – Pending CSAC and League of Cities.

Objective 16 – No longer an issue.

Objective 17 – No longer an issue.

? **Discussion on Governance Presentation at Conference**

1. A final packet with summaries of each objective is due on November 7. Ron and Chuck will develop the draft. These summaries will also include the objectives that could not be completed and why the committee was unable to succeed with those objectives.
2. The summary packet will be finished by mid-September, and will be sent out to the committee via e-mail.

**III. Next (Final) Meeting**

The next meeting will be in November.